

FIGHT WITH A FIRE

Citizens With Buckets Save Business District of the Village of Lafayette, Stark County.

PEOPLE DRIVE FROM COUNTRY

Many Are Scared by Flames—Loss Is Held to \$2,000—Origin Not Known.

Fire broke out early yesterday morning in the business district of Lafayette, in Stark county, and raged for three hours, destroying four buildings and threatening to burn the main business portion of the town. By hard fighting the flames were checked and extinguished by volunteer fire fighters.

There was no loss of life and no serious injuries, although many of the citizens are wearing bandages on hands and arms which evidences the fierce battle which was waged to save the fine new Odd Fellows hall and adjacent structures.

The property loss is estimated at \$2,000, on which there is an aggregate insurance of \$1,325, making the net loss about one-half. The principal losers are W. J. Hamilton, George Bradley and A. L. Dickerson, the latter owning three of the buildings burned.

Villagers and Farmers Help.

When the fire was discovered telephone bells began ringing in all the homes of the villagers, and awakened inmates, who received notice of the fire from central. Men hurried to the main street and rang the fire bell, then church bells, and soon a mass of men, women and children were on the scene of the conflagration. The alarm had been sent out along the country lines by central, and the report that the town was afire soon brought scores of farmers, on horseback and in wagons, wildly riding and driving into town. The confusion lasted but a short time, then ladders were secured, buckets gotten from residences and stores, and the volunteer fire brigade began its campaign. Everything seemed unfavorable to them except that the roofs of the buildings were wet from the recent rain. This helped greatly and probably saved many structures in the vicinity.

Other Towns Asked to Help.

A call for help was sent by telephone to Toulon, but as no train could be secured and the roads were muddy it was without avail. A similar request for aid was hastened to Galva for its fire department, but the same conditions prevented it from responding. There is no organized fire company there, so the facilities for fire fighting were limited, but even without outside assistance the townspeople and farmers with buckets and ladders did effective work and are receiving the congratulation of all for confining the fire within the limits of the four stores.

LANDLADY LOSES \$10 AND HAS BOARDER ARRESTED

Oscar Gunderson, arrested on a warrant sworn by Martha Sherwood charging larceny, was dismissed by Police Magistrate G. A. Johnson, before whom he appeared for trial in the police court this morning. The complainant conducts a boarding house at Fourth avenue and Twenty-fourth street. Gunderson has been living there for five months. A \$10 gold piece disappeared from her pocketbook the other day and she suspected that Gunderson had committed the theft, maintaining that he was the only one in the house beside herself who knew where she kept her purse. There was no evidence to support the charge at the trial.

Four solicitors for a Chicago picture framing establishment who were stopping at a boarding house conducted by A. D. Cox, Fourth avenue and Twenty-first street, have left, so Mr. Cox informed the police today, without settling their bills, each being in arrears \$4.50. The names of the men are Joseph P. Regan, M. A. Ball, W. P. Fredericks, C. H. Allwell.

CHARLES W. KRUGER AND MISS MINNIE BLUM WED

Charles W. Kruger, of this city, and Miss Minnie Blum, of Monroe, Wis., were married yesterday afternoon at the court house, Judge E. E. Farmer performing the ceremony. They departed this morning for a visit to the home of the bride's parents in Monroe. On their return they will take up residence here. The groom is employed as a police at Rock Island arsenal. The bride lived for two years in Rock Island and has many friends in the city. She is a sister of Mrs. Alonzo Petcher, 541 Twenty-first street.

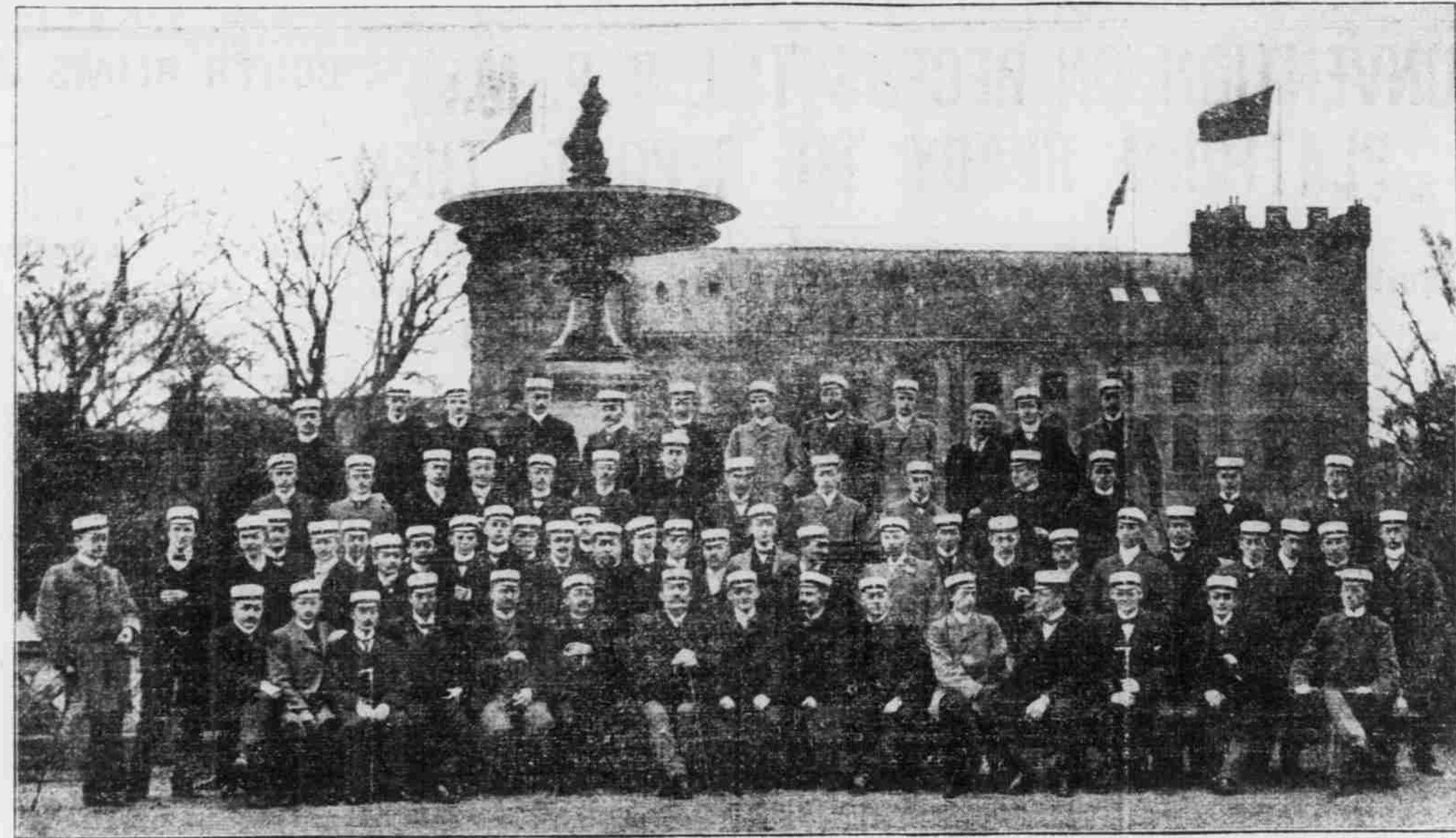
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Lund Singers Are in Rock Island Today.



The chorus of the University of Lund, Sweden, is in Rock Island this afternoon. The singers, who are making a tour of the United States, arrived from Chicago over the Milwaukee at 2:30 this afternoon, and were escorted to Augustana college, where they were tendered a reception and banquet. Dr. Gustav Andreen, president of the college, presided at the banquet. At 7 o'clock the singers will leave the college for Prospect park, where they will render the following concert, at the conclusion of which they will be entertained at a stag luncheon at the Manufacturers hotel: Hor oss, Svea (Wennerberg), Nackens polska (Berg), En Sangers Bon (Hedberg), Vagn av konnen (Kapelmann), Orfens sjong (Orto Lindblad), Kormogelandsen (Lange-Muller), Sten Sture (Korling), Brudefaerden i Hardanger (Kjorulf), Den overfarna (Soderman), Den store livide Plok (Oring), Blomhogarnerne marsch (Pachus). Patronesses: Rock Island—Mrs. Gustav Andreen, Mrs. A. D. Balfors, Mrs. G. G. Craig, Mrs. S. S. Davis, Mrs. F. C. Denkmann, Mrs. T. B. Davis, Mrs. W. H. Gest, Mrs. C. E. Hoffsten, Mrs. Louis Kohn, Mrs. J. R. Kimball, Mrs. S. P. A. Lindahl, Mrs. Frank Mixer, Mrs. Frank E. Peterson, Mrs. Julia E. Rosenfield, Mrs. C. J. Frank Robinson, Mrs. Warren H. Rock, Mrs. W. J. Sweeney, Mrs. H. M. Wadsworth, Moline—Mrs. F. G. Allen, Mrs. W. C. Bennett, Mrs. William Butterworth, Mrs. C. G. Carlson, Mrs. Charles H. Deere, Mrs. F. W. Gould, Mrs. John W. Good, Mrs. George H. Hutton, Mrs. C. A. Hemberg, Mrs. C. I. Josephson, Mrs. Charles H. Lippincott, Mrs. C. W. Lundahl, Mrs. John McEniry, Mrs. J. B. Oakleaf, Mrs. Charles P. Skinner, Mrs. G. Arthur Stephens, Mrs. E. H. Sleight, Mrs. Charles R. Stephens.

DAVENPORT DOTS

Yesterday Matron Hill had a visitor. The caller gave the name of Clara King, and said she was from Iowa City where, up to two years ago, she attended the parochial school of Father A. J. Schulte's St. Mary's parish. The girl said she came to Davenport with her mother, Mrs. Louise King, a week ago last Wednesday and was left here penniless and without friends by her mother, who returned to Iowa City the following Saturday morning.

Isaac Shepard, of 514 Division street, this city, is a negro, who has resided here since 1878, and has always been a law-abiding and respectable citizen. He comes of Virginia stock, his parents having moved to Plattsville, Wis., in the early '40's, where Isaac was born April 29, 1842. Mr. Shepard has the distinction of being the first colored man born in the state of Wisconsin. He moved to Davenport in 1878, and for many years resided on West Third street near Davis, from which place he removed to his present home, Desk Sergeant Bailey Cook knew Shepard 43 years ago in Plattsville, and guarantees the statement that he is the first negro born in that state.

Anna Crawford, who was recently arrested upon an island below the city and sent to jail upon the charge of vagrancy, will be returned to the state penitentiary at Anamosa, term to serve out an unexpired term. A warrant of commitment has been received at the office of Sheriff McArthur signed by Gov. Cummins.

The case of Lily Arenschield, administratrix, vs. the C. R. I. & P., wherein the plaintiff asks for heavy damages because of the death of her husband in the Elton yards New Year's day last year, has been appealed to the supreme court by Carroll Wright and Cook & Dodge for the defendant.

Dr. A. L. Hageboeck and party, with their baggage, who left here Saturday to travel overland in an automobile to St. Louis and the world's fair, arrived safely at Mound City at 9 o'clock Monday evening.

Saturday, July 16, has been fixed as the day for holding the democratic county convention. Turner hall will be the place. The convention will select 23 delegates to the democratic state convention to be held at Iowa City July 19, and 23 delegates to the democratic congressional convention to be held at that time and place as are later announced by the congressional committee.

Recently it was announced that the L. & I. interurban road which is building a line between Davenport and Clinton, had secured an option upon the Biller property, formerly the old Henderson Hardware store, with a view of locating its passenger station and express office therein. While the company took an option upon that building yet at the same time they kept a guarded eye upon the Leader building which adjoins it and covers the north-east corner of Brady street and Commercial alley. Now they have succeeded in securing the option or conditional lease upon the ground floor of the Leader building at a monthly rental of

\$112. The conditional lease is subject to the company being able to secure from the city council a franchise for truck rights entering Commercial alley.

Carl Hauschildt, who works for the German Press and Plate company in the Hibernal hall, reported to the police Wednesday of last week that his wheel had been stolen from the hall at the Hibernal building on Brady street where he is employed. He has offered a reward for the recovery of the stolen wheel. John Dutcher, of Linwood, now says a man called on him on the day before the theft saying that his son had a wheel which he desired to sell, and asked him to purchase it. The next day, and the very day on which the wheel was stolen a boy appeared, and asked him to buy the bicycle, which he did. The man or the boy, a description of whom Mr. Dutcher has furnished, are being sought for by the police.

At 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon Rev. A. M. Judy quietly united in marriage Frederick Reimers and Miss Grace Elizabeth Shuttell, both of Moline. The ceremony was performed at Mr. Judy's residence. The couple will reside in Moline.

At their newly furnished home, 1201 Galnes street, at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening Mayor Henry Phillips united in marriage Frank Hansen and Miss May Kramer, both of this city.

MESMER WELL LIKED IN TOWN WHERE HE RESIDED

The Burlington Hawk-Eye contains the following tribute to William R. Mesmer, the printer of that city who suicided last Saturday evening by jumping from the Rock Island bridge: "Will Mesmer, whose body was found floating in the Mississippi river at Rock Island, was, previous to his physical breakdown, one of the Hawk-Eye's best linotype men. He was intelligent and progressive and was well versed in the affairs of the day. He was a constant and painstaking reader of the best magazines and newspapers and kept himself so posted concerning people and things in general that his work on the linotype was well nigh perfection. He used an intelligence in his work that inspired an unusual confidence in him on the part of his employers. He had a deep affection for and pride in his little ones, and was never happier than when giving them his attention and companionship. His sad end is a sorrow to all his friends on the Hawk-Eye who had hoped to see him back at his post once more, in good health. No one who has known him personally believes for a moment that if his death was caused by his own act, he was rationally conscious of what he was doing. His bereaved family have the sympathy of the boys who worked with Mesmer and of those for whom he worked."

One Lady's Recommendation Sold Fifty Boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach Tablets.

I have, I believe, sold 50 boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets on the recommendation of one lady here, who first bought a box of them about a year ago. She never tires of telling her neighbors and friends about the good qualities of these tablets.—P. M. Shore, druggist, Rochester, Ind. The pleasant, purgative effect of these tablets makes them a favorite with ladies everywhere. For sale by all leading druggists.

MOLINE MENTION

Another new face will be seen next fall in the Washington school corps of teachers. Miss Ahnee Lyford, eighth-grade teacher will not return next year to the duties she has so capably performed for several years. The Miss Lyford departed for the east with Mrs. John Weyerhaeuser and children; later she will return with them to the summer home at Lake Nebagamon, Mich., and also accompany them to California this coming winter. It will prove a delightful year of rest for Miss Lyford, who will ask the board of education for a year's vacation.

O. F. Anderson, cashier of the Moline Trust & Savings bank, has been elected president of the library board to succeed C. A. Barnard, who declined reelection after several years' conscientious work in the upbuilding of the city institution. With the passing of Mr. Barnard as president comes the retirement of Henry S. Hanson, for many years the faithful and painstaking secretary. The new officers elected are: President, O. F. Anderson; vice president, Dr. A. H. Arp; secretary, M. J. McEniry. Committees were appointed by the president as follows: Library committee, Dr. L. D. Dunn, chairman; M. J. McEniry, C. A. Barnard and H. S. Hanson. Executive committee, Dr. A. H. Arp, chairman; O. F. Anderson, William A. Meese and F. A. Johnson.

East Moline is planning to install a waterworks plant, and indications are that it will be built at once. A committee consisting of President Walter Annerman, Tom Gorman and Frank Sible has been appointed from the village board to investigate with a view to ascertaining what can be done and what such a plant as the village wishes will cost.

John Q. Hawk, chief of the fire department has submitted his report on the number of fires during the months of May and June which shows that Moline has suffered heavier the past two months than is usual. The total loss was \$86,885 and insurance involved, \$137,815.

August 1 is the date set by the North Star lodge to celebrate their fifth anniversary. This will be done in the form of a picnic. Just where they will picnic is not settled but the prospects are Campbell's island. The committee in charge is: Andrew Olson, C. V. Swanson, Hannah C. Peterson, John Shallen, E. E. Nyquist and C. H. Godehn. G. L. Peterson, F. A. Landee, E. A. Edlin, V. O. Peterson, C. G. Carlson, J. F. Myers, A. G. Edlin, Julius Skog, J. B. Oakleaf, M. J. McEniry, J. E. Gustus, J. N. Shallen, J. A. Godehn, J. Hasselquist.

Miss Anna M. Swanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Swanson, 1907 Twelfth avenue, and Carl R. Lawton were united in marriage by Rev. J. A. Jaeder Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents. Just a few of the most intimate friends were present and the bride party was unattended. They departed for Detroit on a late train where they will attend the Baptist convention which convenes today. Both young people are well known in Moline and have won many friends by their courteous manners. The bride was employed in the crockery

HERGES IS AT HEAD

Elected President of the Tri-City Labor Congress at Meeting Last Evening.

HEAR FROM WESTERN MINERS

Vote Donation to Aid Them in Their Struggle—Members Entertained at Smoker.

The Tri-City Labor Congress met in regular session last evening for the annual election of officers and to enjoy a smoker tendered by E. C. Berry. A number of communications were read, most of which related to the troubles in the Cripple Creek district in Colorado among the mine owners and the union miners. The officers elected and installed were as follows: President—F. W. Herges. Vice President—W. J. French. Corresponding Secretary—H. L. Darby. Financial Secretary—C. K. Campbell. Treasurer—E. C. Berry. Statistician—Paul Henneberg. Sergeant-at-Arms—A. Hart. Trustees—James McWilliams, A. McCartney and Fred Garvin.

Bum Steer From West.

A communication was read from a labor council in San Francisco, in which it was stated that unscrupulous employers had advertised largely in newspapers for men, making misleading statements relative to the condition of affairs out there in labor circles. The circular read stated that the employers had advertised that labor was plentiful and well paid out there, when, as a matter of fact, the laboring men would do well to stay away from California now, as industries of all kinds were overruled, and those who shunned the employers' statements would act wisely.

In Colorado Mining Districts.

A communication from a labor council of Washington, D. C., bearing upon the disaster growing out of the trouble between the mine operators and the union miners of Colorado was read in which it was stated that the operators had Gov. Peabody under their thumbs, and were dictating to him; that they were not showing the least semblance of respect for the law and the legal rights of the miners. It was asked that the Tri-City Labor Congress lend financial and moral aid. The congress voted to send \$10 to assist in the cause and see that it is brought before the federal courts. The San Francisco labor council sent a communication relative to the closing of the Portland mines and the suppression of the Daily Record by mine operators. It was in the form of a resolution asking that the congress concur in the protest. The request was granted and the resolution adopted. The Trades and Labor council of La Salle, Ill., in a communication asked that a committee from here be appointed to see masons, bricklayers, cement workers, etc., and, as far as possible, influence them not to patronize the cement works of La Salle where the workers are on a strike. The grievance committee was appointed to look after this matter.

Nicol Acting Square.

Hugh Nicol and his Rockford ball team were again brought before the congress. Nicol, according to one of the communications from Bloomington, had appeared before the labor council in the latter city, and stated that he was not aware of the condition existing between the striking street car employees and the company in Bloomington, nor the fact that the hotel the team stopped at was run in connection with a non-union barber shop. He said that he would not patronize them again while the conditions remained as they did then.

An appeal from the Cigarmakers' independent union, of Tampa, Fla., asking aid of the congress, as the members had been on a strike for five weeks. The request was not granted, the members of the congress stating that the union had not been on strike long enough to warrant in asking help.

TOM BAGLEY SUCCUMBS TO QUICK CONSUMPTION

Thomas D. Bagley, formerly a resident of Rock Island, died of quick consumption last evening at 8 o'clock in the South Putnam building, Davenport, aged 45 years. The deceased was born in Le Claire, Iowa, but was reared in this city, having come here with his parents when a child. He is survived by his wife, four children, Ross D., Myrtle S., Harold J. and Richard S. Bagley, and three brothers and one sister: Edward Bagley, Morristown, Ill.; James Bagley, Rock Island; William Bagley, Le Claire, Iowa, and Mrs. Catharine Bayliss of Chicago. The funeral will take place at 2:30 Sunday afternoon from the residence of deceased's brother, James Bagley, 710 Fifteenth street. It will be under the auspices of the Eagles. The services will be conducted by Rev. Downey, of the Episcopal church of Davenport.

Piles Upon Top of Piles.

Piles upon top of piles of people have the piles, and DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures them. There are many different kinds of piles, but if you get the genuine and original Witch Hazel Salve made by E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, a cure is certain. H. A. Tisdale, of Summerton, S. C., says: "I had piles 20 years and DeWitt's Salve cured me after everything else failed."

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8 bars S. C. soap.....	25c
1 sack good flour.....	\$1.20
1 sack best Buckwheat.....	25c
1 lb. imported anchovies.....	4c
3 lbs. Apricots.....	25c
3 lbs. Peaches.....	25c
3 lbs. Raisins.....	25c
6 lbs. good Prunes.....	25c
3 cans Early June Peas.....	25c
3 cans Tomatoes.....	25c
3 cans Baked Beans.....	25c
3 pkgs. Mother's Oats.....	25c
3 pkgs. Corn Flour.....	25c
3 pkgs. Pancake Flour.....	25c
3 pkgs. Buckwheat Flour.....	25c
2 pkgs. Norka Oats.....	25c
2 pkgs. Malt Oats.....	25c
2 pkgs. Pettijohn's Breakfast Food.....	25c
2 large bottles Catsup.....	25c
2 cakes Sapolo.....	15c
1 doz. large Herring.....	20c

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Why So Many Glasses

is the query prompted by the fact that almost every other person you meet wears them. The answer is entirely natural—their wearers have been relieved of headaches, eye strain, eye weakness, or even positive eye defect. Why not share in their good fortune if you have any eye trouble by having us examine your eyes free, provide the aiding glasses at fair figures?

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